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For Mrs Tryon

need better instruction than I feel capable of giving. I am
Obliged to keep a constant warfare with Myself to walk any way
Consistent. Erastus exercises so much more patience than I do
that I am ashamed of myself he is an altered man.
We are all well as usual I would not send you a scrap of empty
paper if my eyes did not pain me. Dont fail to answer this soon
& tell us whether there is any prospect of your coming.
Children send love. Edwin has written once to P to give his
heart to the Saviour but did not send it.
Diana is a whole Christian I assure you She can pray
now & says she must ask your forgiveness for not being willing
years ago. I have many things to tell you but must stop.
Anson has got him up a house south of Hiram and
on land which belonged to Henry Cowles. Yours Mar[illegible]

PS You will need two pair of specs to make sense of this
P S We have not been able to draw any money since last
winter there is between 50 & 60 ℔ due & Erastus has called
from time to time & Mr W says he does not want the trouble
of sending on so often, I think more likely he wants the money
to use. We had to buy some hay, but I think you will not
complain, considering the severity of the winter & the length.
He thinks it would be for your interest to fat the old cow, as
you cannot keep them all, & she is so large that she will bring
more fatted than any other way, & she is farrow, you can do as you
please, she is in good order, answer this immediately
Yours in love M

I think they will have a fuss to get him to go. She was going to write to N York to Frank & then to me when they made any definite arrangement. Meantime She wanted his clothes put in order, his cloak turned, & wished me to write what furniture he would have, would want his bed, & whatever belonged to him. This you must answer. But last I forget She told me in the winter that when I purchased the rose Blankets you directed, to get a good pair, large ones & when they took him they would pay for them, if you did not wish to keep them I got a nice pair & paid 2,75 for them You must direct, they are not injured. It would be a great relief to me if you was here to see to it yourself. but suppose by Miss R's writing that you are not able. I hope you will write at least immediately & give me every particular. so that I need not be blamed. for I feel bad enough I have so much work & care that I am almost distracted in mind & body & I suppose you are just so too. I have worked so hard that I do not feel as well as usual. but have great reason to be thankful for the measure of health I do enjoy. I heared from Aunt Dolly Mills last week her health has been poor all Winter. You wished to tell you about the revival. It is a very dull time in the Village already. Our meetings are interesting here We have 3 every week. Convert appear well Some of them made a profession the last Communion there were between 60 & 70. I have forgotten whether I told you that I indulged hope for Edwin & Mary. but they

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Dear Aunt

I wrote to you last Sabbath Evening & sent it to the office but found yours & it was brought back & I intended to have written directly back, but my time is so completely taken up that it seems almost impossible to take the pen. I was disappointed to find that you was not coming on. I had been anxiously expecting you for 3 weeks, & supposed you must be sick, We heard by way of J Gillotson that you was coming & we supposed you had broken up in Boston & where you could be, we could not imagine. I feel in a query what to do. I expect Mr Olmsted's folks some of them after him in the course of next month. I had a letter from Mrs Barnes about ten days since. She feels determined to have her plan accomplished as speedily as possible. She says in her letter "The only reason has been their vicinity to temptation that they have had him away from them so long that she told you 7 years ago that whenever his rambling inclination should cease they should take him & My regrets that they have not known it sooner" Mr Wheeler Barnes & wife are going to Vermont & N York in this month & next & if they can make an arrangement with them to come home by way of Farmington they will. I doubt not but they will come but